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## Of Special Interest This Week

+ CHINESE REACTIONS - In the early morning hours of 30 December, the FBIS Wire Service alerted the Far Eastern bureaus to intense consumer interest in Chinese reaction to the U.S. Government's expulsion of two diplomats of the PRC Embassy in Washington, a story broken that morning by the Washington TIMES. The bureaus responded that Chinese media, as of that time, had not been observed to report or comment on the incident. The following day, however, Okinawa Bureau monitored and immediately sent a report from the Chinese news agency XINHUA citing the PRC Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying that China had strongly protested the U.S. action and reserved the right to react further. After alerting all major watch offices in the Washington area to this first PRC reaction, the Wire Service carried the text of the report.

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+ COMPLETION OF ANTENNA INSTALLATION - At the end of December, FBIS successfully installed a remote control operating system linking its Langley dish antenna (TVRO) with the control facility in its Reston Headquarters, the FBIS Television Center. This marked the completion of a three-phase upgrade designed to enhance the operating capabilities and efficiency of the satellite monitoring facility. The FBIS TVRO currently monitors live Soviet and other foreign television from eight Atlantic Ocean-region satellites.

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